

REGULAR NORTH PROVIDENCE SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
FEBRUARY 26, 2014

The North Providence School Committee met on February 26 at 6:30, 2014 at 7:35 p.m. in the Administration Conference Room at the High School. Members present were Chairman Marciano, Mr. Cataldi, Mr. Iannetta, Mr. Palmieri, Mrs. Picard, Mr. DaSilva and Mr. Andreozzi. Also present were Superintendent Smith and Mr. Henneous. Mr. McNamee, Dr. Carson and Mr. Wright were present for the Regular Session only. Appropriate disclosure was made by the Chair concerning compliance with R.I. General Laws 42-46-(4)&(5) indicating that any person to be discussed had been appropriately notified.

Motion by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mr. Andreozzi and Mrs. Picard and carried to go into open session at 6:30 p.m. The regular session was recessed to go into Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. The open session reconvened at 7:35 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The Chair led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

III. CHAIR TO REPORT OUT ANY VOTES TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECEIVE MOTION BY COMMITTEE MEMBER TO SEAL EXECUTIVE SESSION+ MINUTES PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF RIGL 42-46-(4) & (5).

The Chair reported that no votes were taken in Executive Session.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS 6-13.

Public comments were received.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Superintendent's Communication.

(a) Student's Published Work – M. Houle.

Superintendent Smith spoke about Michael Houle's published work and offered congratulations and spoke about everyone being very proud of him and how exciting it is to be a published author. Michael was presented with a certificate of recognition. Members offered congratulations and applause.

(b) Cougar Boys Swim Team.

Next, coaches and members of the Cougar Boys Swim Team were presented with certificates of recognition for their accomplishment as Division 3 State Champs. Members of the team were presented with certificates of recognition and received applause and congratulations.

(c) Academic Decathlon – R. Paone.

Mr. Paone spoke about the Decathlon Team comprised of 16 students competing in the state and national competition. Seniors who win the competition are eligible for scholarships. The competition is open to all students in grades 9-12. Two years in a row, the team had a gold medal. Next, members of the team spoke about the different areas of

the competition. The Chair thanked them for their presentation and all of their hard work.

(d) Girl Scouts.

Next, the Chair recognized the Girl Scouts present who are working on their government badge.

(e) Communication from Construction Supervisor.

Superintendent Smith read communication from Joseph DaSilva, construction supervisor for the facilities assessment, notifying the District that the Department of Education approved Step 1 of the process and authorizing moving to Step 2 of the process.

2. Monthly Financial Report.

Superintendent Smith asked the Committee to grant advice and consent to approve the Monthly Financial Report as submitted. Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. Cataldi and Mr. Iannetta and carried by unanimous consent to approve the Monthly Financial Report as submitted.

3. Home Schooling.

Superintendent Smith asked the Committee to grant the Home

Schooling Request(s) as submitted. Motion by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mrs. Palmieri and carried by a vote of 5 to 2 to grant the Home Schooling Requests as submitted. Mrs. Picard and Mr. Cataldi voted nay to the motion.

4. Field Trips.

Superintendent Smith recommended approval of the Field Trip Requests as submitted. Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. Iannetta and carried by unanimous consent to grant the Field Trips as submitted.

5. Discussion/Action Response to Request from Attorney Tashjian and Client.

Superintendent Smith requested that the Committee vote to approve the Standing Orders as submitted. Motion by Mr. Palmieri, seconded by Mr. Iannetta and carried by unanimous consent to deny the request from Attorney Tashjian as submitted.

6. Approval of the Lacrosse Start-up Fee from the Athletic Fund as submitted.

Superintendent Smith requested approval of the start-up fee for the Lacrosse program from the Athletic Fund as submitted. Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. Iannetta and carried by unanimous

consent to approve the Start-up fee for the Lacrosse program as submitted.

7. Approval of the FY 2015 Budget.

Superintendent Smith requested that the Committee consider and vote to approve the FY 2015 Budget as submitted. Motion by Mr. Cataldi, seconded by Mrs. Picard and the entire Committee and carried by unanimous consent to approve the FY 2015 Budget as submitted.

8. NECAP Presentation.

Assistant Superintendent Jacques gave a brief presentation of the NECAP Report. Committee members asked questions and offered comments. The Chair thanked Ms. Jacques for her presentation.

VII. SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORTS.

No reports were received.

VIII. REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COMMITTEE

No requests were received.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Bids.

No bids were received.

2. Resignation(s).

No resignations were received.

3. Retirement(s).

No retirement requests were received.

4. Leave of Absences.

Superintendent Smith asked the Committee to grant advice and consent to the Leave of Absences as submitted. Motion by Mr. Iannetta, seconded by Mr. Andreozzi and carried by unanimous consent to approve the Leave of Absence Requests as submitted.

5. Layoff(s)/Non-Renewal(s)

Superintendent Smith asked for the Committee to grant advice and consent to the Layoff(s)/Non-Renewal(s) as submitted. Motion by Mr. Cataldi, seconded by Mr. Iannetta and carried by unanimous consent to approve the Layoff(s)/Non-Renewal(s) as submitted.

6. Appointments.

Superintendent Smith asked for the advice and consent of the Committee to approve the appointments as submitted with the exception of the High School Boys Assistant Boys Coach. Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. DaSilva and Mr. Cataldi and carried to grant advice and consent to the Appointments as presented. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

The Chair asked the appointees to stand and receive recognition and applause. tMr. Palmieri offered clarification with respect to the High School Boys Assistant Coach position by explaining that there was nothing wrong with the candidate but it is a start-up of the team and we will start with just a coach.

7. Layoff Recision(s).

Superintendent Smith asked for the advice and consent of the Committee to approve and vote for the Layoff Recision(s) as presented. Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. Andreozzi and the entire Committee and carried by unanimous consent to approve the Layoff Recision(s) as presented.

8. Displacements.

No Displacements were received.

X. OLD BUSINESS

1. High School Waiver (2nd reading).

Superintendent Smith requested that the Committee vote to approve the High School Waiver (2nd reading) as submitted. Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. Iannetta and carried by unanimous consent to approve the High School Waiver (2nd reading) as submitted.

XI. USE OF PROPERTY

Superintendent Smith asked for the Committee's advice regarding the Volunteer Firefighters as to the waiver of fees. Motion by Mr. Andreozzi, seconded by Mr. Iannetta and carried by unanimous consent to waive the fees for the Volunteer Firefighters.

Superintendent Smith asked for the Committee's advice regarding the RI Affiliated/Hoop Kids as to the waiver of fees. It was the general consensus not to waive the fees because it was a fundraiser.

Superintendent Smith recommended that the Committee consider and vote to approve the Use of Property Requests as submitted.

Motion by Mr. Palmieri, seconded by Mrs. Picard and carried by unanimous consent to approve the Use of Property Requests as submitted.

XII. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Superintendent Smith recommended approval of the List of Bills as presented and submitted to the Committee. Motion by Mr. Palmieri, seconded by Mrs. Picard and carried to approve the List of Bills as presented. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

XIII. APPROVAL OF FUNDRAISERS.

No fundraiser approvals were received.

XIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. Cataldi and carried to approve the Minutes of the January 22, 2014 and January 29, 2014 School Committee Minutes as submitted. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. Cataldi and carried to approve and seal the Minutes of the January 22, 2014 School

Committee Meeting as submitted. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENTS IN AGENDA ITEMS 7 - 13.

No public comments were received.

XV. PENDING BUSINESS

No pending business was discussed.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Iannetta, seconded by Mr. DaSilva and the entire Committee and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margie Caranci

Recording Secretary of the North Providence

School Committee

Date Submitted to the Committee: March 21, 2014

Date Approved by the Committee: March 26, 2014